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REPORT OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL ON THE UNITED NATIONS OBSERVER MISSION UGANDA-RWANDA

1. The present report is submitted in pursuance of paragraph 12 of resolution 846 (1993) which was adopted by the Security Council on 22 June 1993.

2. Following the adoption of the resolution, and with the consent of the Security Council, Brigadier-General Romeo A. Dallaire (Canada) was appointed Chief Military Observer of UNOMUR (see S/26019 and S/26020).

3. In accordance with paragraph 4 of the resolution, consultations were undertaken with the Government of Uganda with a view to concluding a Status of Mission Agreement, which was finalized and entered into force on 16 August 1993. This opened the way to deployment of the advance party which arrived in the mission area on 18 August 1993.

4. I am pleased to report that UNOMUR is now fully deployed and that it has reached its authorized strength of 81 military observers. Eleven international civilian staff have also been deployed.

5. Within the first three weeks of its deployment, UNOMUR concluded a thorough reconnaissance of the Uganda/Rwanda border, set up a communication network and established its Headquarters and a Sector Headquarters in Kabale and a second Sector Headquarters in Kisoro. In accordance with the concept of operations set out in my report of 20 May (S/25810), the mission has also established observation posts at two major crossing sites on the Ugandan side of the border at Katuna and Cyanika. UNOMUR has also been monitoring the border through mobile patrols.

6. UNOMUR is preparing to establish additional observation posts at three secondary crossing sites and to enhance its operational capability with airborne coverage.

7. On 5 October, the Security Council adopted resolution 872 (1993), authorizing the establishment of the United Nations Assistance Mission for Rwanda (UNAMIR). The Council also approved the proposal that UNOMUR be integrated into UNAMIR. I am consulting the Government of Uganda on the modalities of this integration, on the understanding that it will be without prejudice to the mandate of UNOMIR as set out in resolution 846 (1993).

8. I should like to express my appreciation to the Government of Uganda for the cooperation and support it has provided to UNOMUR and for the assistance it has extended to the mission to enable it to discharge its mandate.